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In re PATENT APPLICATION of: Makela et al.

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TITLE: ACTIVATION OF A TELEPHONE'S OWN CALL ANSWERING EQUIPMENT ACCORDING TO THE NUMBER OF THE CALLING PARTY

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of this application, please amend this application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims 1-22 as follows. A marked-up copy of the amended claims appears at the end of this paper.

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1. (Amended) A method for replying to a call coming to a portable terminal wherein, in response to the incoming call, the portable terminal identifies the caller on the basis of an identification information, or directs the incoming call to another answering service, said reply having a form selectable from a plurality of forms of communication, and wherein said step of identifying the caller is accomplished by said portable terminal, and said step of sending a reply is accomplished by